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CLAIMS:

What is claimed is:

1. A paper handling aid, comprising:

- a. a substantially planar membrane formed of a flexible, frictional material and sized to fit on the pad portion of a finger; and
- b. an adhesive coating on a first surface of the membrane;
- c. wherein in use the adhesive is in contact with the pad portion of the finger.
- 2. The paper handling aid as described in claim 1, further comprising a plurality of protuberances formed on a second surface of the membrane.
- 3. The paper handling aid as described in claim 1, wherein the membrane material is elastomeric.
- 4. The paper handling aid as described in claim 1, wherein the adhesive adheres substantially permanently to the first surface of the membrane and adheres releasably to the pad portion of the finger.
- 5. The paper handling aid as described in claim 1, wherein the adhesive is hypo-allergenic.
- 6. The paper handling aid as described in claim 4, wherein the adhesive is hypo-allergenic.
- 7. The paper handling aid as described in claim 1, wherein the membrane material has a sufficiently high coefficient of friction to improve the task of handling, sorting and separating paper.
- 8. The paper handling aid as d scribed in claim 1, wherein the membrane material has a coefficient of friction against paper in the range of 0.50 0.90.

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9. The pap r handling aid as describ d in claim 8, wherein the coefficient of friction is greater than 0.80.

- 10. The paper handling aid as described in claim 1, wherein the paper handling aid is substantially round when viewed in plan.
- 11. The paper handling aid as described in claim 1, wherein the paper handling aid is non-round when viewed in plan.
- 12. The paper handling aid as described in claim 2, wherein the membrane material has a sufficiently high coefficient of friction to improve the task of handling, sorting and separating paper.
- 13. The paper handling aid as described in claim 2, wherein the membrane material has a coefficient of friction against paper in the range of 0.50 0.90.
- 14. The paper handling aid as described in claim 13, wherein the coefficient of friction is greater than 0.80.